General Staff Organization Liaison Meeting
January 26, 2011

Attending: Lisa Walker, Robyn Smidley, Therese Grant, Molly Ormsby, Louise Shearer, Kim Metcalf, Rachel Pulver, Sandra Maddox

Lisa welcomed Therese Grant as our new interim vice chair.

Budget Report

Robyn reported that we have a balance of $51.04. We need money!

Holiday Party

The holiday party was fun again this year but we didn’t have a lot of help in the set-up or clean-up. We need to have participation for these events so we are asking for suggestions on ways to get people involved.

One suggestion was to ask the general population for help. Maybe we could have desserts at our meeting. Nothing gets people to attend like food! People could volunteer to bring different snacks to each meeting.

Fundraisers

We need help with fundraising. We now have to pay for rentals on North Creek, the Promenade, or any time we have tables set up in the commons. We also have to pay for classroom rental so we need to build these fees into our budget.

Everyone is interested in the donation program that Melissa has talked about so Lisa will ask Melissa Arias and Sean March to attend our next general meeting to help launch it. We could call it Fundraising 101.

Action Item: Robyn will check to see if the Rose Room is available and if not she’ll see if the IAS conference (UW1-391) is open.

The executive team talked about setting up teams and then go to every staff member, regardless when they started, and give them an info packet about the GSO. It could include a card with all the dates of the upcoming meetings and events for the year along with a Tootsie Pop that has a saying that says “pop into our next meeting”. Does this sound like something that people can get excited about?

The group like this idea and Molly Ormsby agreed to co-chair with Robyn. They will work on creating a flyer.

Action Item: Robyn suggested that the GSO have their own mailbox. That way no one has to have their inbox clog with GSO mail and it is easy to add people who chair events. She will work with IT to get this set up.
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.